

Embassy, Port-au-Prince, Decree No. 368, Nov. 17, 1944, to Sec
of State. 738.3915/11-1744
Subject: Progress in Clearing the Haitian-Dominican Border.

Transmits copy of decree law appropriating credit of
21,465 gourdes for clearing undergrowth & marking Haitian-
Dominican bdy. by planting trees at regular intervals. The
work began some months ago & is proceeding. Trees or hedges
will form almost continuous line between permanent markers.
One mixed commission is working from center north & other from
center south.

One local paper comments that if mountains, ditches or
ravines make a straight line impracticable at places, zigzag
paths would be the boundary, or a straight line from one point
to another.

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M.I.A. Rept., M. A., Port au Prince, No. 905, May 24, 1944.
Source: Local press.

From Le Nouvelliste, May 19 - Gentlemen's Agreement has been entered into to "cool the frontier", that is, to clear the frontier mile stones of undergrowth and plant continuous hedge of trees from milestone to milestone.

Also refers to return of some of Shada's leased land to peasant owners for growth of food crops and agreement by Rubber Development Corp. to purchase all rubber from Shada produced in Haiti.

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